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C O N F I D E N T I A L RANGOON 1834

C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (PARA 3. OMITTED)

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TAGS: PFOR KS KN BM UN

SUBJECT: ADMISSION OF TWO KOREAS TO UN

REF: STATE 151663

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED SUBJECT REFTEL WITH ROK CONGEN MEUNG JUN CHOI WHO SAID HE STILL AWAITING INSTRUCTIONS FROM SEOUL. HE HAD, HOWEVER, RAISED MATTER ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO WITH U PYI SOE, DIRECTOR, UNITED NATIONS AND ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT, MFA. LATTER HAD RESPONDED THAT IF DPRK WISHED ENTER UN TOGETHER WITH ROK GUB WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION. AS TO SITUATION IF DPRK REMAINED OPPOSED TO ROK PROPOSAL, PYI SOE WAS NONCOMMITTAL BUT CHOI GOT IMPRESSION GUB WOULD ABSTAIN.

2. CHOI STATED VERY CONFIDENTIALLY THAT CABINET LEVEL EMISSARY FROM SEOUL IS TO VISIT RANGOON LATER THIS MONTH (CHOI, WHO IS TO LEAVE FOR VANCOUVER ON DIRECT TRANSFER AS CONSUL GENERAL, HAS ACCORDINGLY POSTPONED HIS DEPARTURE).

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3. CHOI ALSO ASSERTED THAT INDIA SUPPORTED ROK PROPOSAL.

4. IN RESPONSE EMBOFF'S QUERY, CHOI SAID
HE WOULD WELCOME A CONFIDENTIAL EMBASSY APPROACH ON SUBJECT TO
MFA EVEN IN ADVANCE OF ROK SPECIAL ENVOY'S VISIT. EMBASSY
CONSIDERS IT MORE PRUDENT HOWEVER TO DEFER MATTER UNTIL AFTER
VISIT OF ENVOY.

5. OUR PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT OF GUB'S ATTITUDE IS THAT GUB
MAY WELL ABSTAIN IF DPRK CONTINUES REJECT ROK PROPOSAL. IN ANY
EVENT IT IS MOST PROBABLE THAT GUB WILL DEFER DECISION UNTIL CLOSE
TO ACTUAL UNGA VOTE ON ISSUE, AND WILL SEEK CONSULT WITH OTHER
SEA NON-ALIGNED NATIONS. GUB WILL BE REPRESENTED AT ALGIERS
NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE, WHERE SUBJECT PRESUMABLY MAY BE
DISCUSSED.
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